

(3) The term “fund” means the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development Trust Fund provided for under section 1105 of this title.

(Pub. L. 100-458, title I, §113, Oct. 1, 1988, 102 Stat. 2172.)

§ 1103. Establishment of John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development

(a) Establishment

There is established in the legislative branch of the Government a center to be known as the “John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development”.

(b) Board of Trustees

The Center shall be subject to the supervision and direction of a Board of Trustees. The Board shall be composed of seven members, as follows:

- (1) Two members to be appointed by the majority leader of the Senate.
- (2) One member to be appointed by the minority leader of the Senate.
- (3) Two members to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- (4) One member to be appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives.
- (5) The Executive Director of the Center, who shall serve as an ex officio member of the Board.

(c) Term of office

The term of office of each member of the Board appointed under paragraphs (1), (2), (3), and (4) of subsection (b) of this section shall be six years, except that—

- (1) the members first appointed under paragraphs (1) and (2) shall serve, as designated by the majority leader of the Senate, one for a term of two years, one for a term of four years, and one for a term of six years;
- (2) the members first appointed under paragraphs (3) and (4) shall serve, as designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, one for a term of two years, one for a term of four years, and one for a term of six years; and
- (3) a member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term for which his predecessor was appointed and shall be appointed in the same manner as the original appointment for that vacancy was made.

(d) Travel and subsistence pay

Members of the Board (other than the Executive Director) shall serve without pay, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

(e) Location of Center

The Center shall be located at or near Starkville, Mississippi, the location of Mississippi State University.

(Pub. L. 100-458, title I, §114, Oct. 1, 1988, 102 Stat. 2173.)

§ 1104. Purposes and authority of Center

(a) Purposes of Center

The purposes of the Center shall be—

- (1) to increase awareness of the importance of public service, to foster among the youth of

the United States greater recognition and understanding of the role of public service in the development of the United States, and to promote public service as a career choice;

(2) to provide training and development opportunities for State and local elected government officials and employees of State and local governments in order to assist such officials and employees to become more effective and more efficient in performing their public duties and develop their potential for accepting increased public service opportunities; and

(3) to provide training and development opportunities for those employees of Members of the Congress who perform key roles in helping Members of Congress serve the people of the United States.

(b) Authority of Center

The Center is authorized, consistent with this chapter, to develop such programs, activities, and services as it considers appropriate to carry out the purpose of this chapter. Such authority shall include the following:

(1) The development and implementation of educational programs for secondary and post-secondary schools and colleges designed—

- (A) to improve the attitude of students toward public service;
- (B) to encourage students to consider public service as a career goal;
- (C) to create a better understanding of the important role that people in public service have played in the growth and development of the United States; and
- (D) to foster a sense of civic responsibility among the youth of the United States.

(2) The development and implementation of programs designed—

- (A) to enhance skills and abilities of public service employees and elected officials at the State and local levels of government;
- (B) to make such officials more productive and effective in the performance of their duties; and
- (C) to help prepare such employees and officials to assume greater responsibilities in the field of public service.

(3) The development and implementation of congressional staff training programs designed to equip congressional staff personnel to perform their duties more effectively and efficiently.

(4) The development and implementation of media and telecommunications production capabilities to assist the Center in expanding the reach of its programs throughout the United States.

(5) The establishment of library and research facilities for the collection and compilation of research materials for use in carrying out the programs of the Center.

(c) Program priorities

The Board of Trustees shall determine the priority of the programs to be carried out under this chapter and the amount of funds to be allocated for such programs.

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